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In re Patent Application of:

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Methionine Synthesis and
Degradation Pathways**

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In response to the Advisory Action mailed December 23, 2002 (Paper No. 25), and the telephonic interview with the Examiner on January 15, 2003, Applicants resubmit the following amendments and remarks in the above-captioned application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please delete the paragraph spanning page 1, line 4 through page 2, line 15 (under the heading "Cross Reference to Related Applications") and replace it with the following paragraph:

This application claims the benefit of applications No. 60/067,000 filed November 24, 1997, No. 60/066,873 filed November 25, 1997, No. 60/069,472 filed December 09, 1997, No. 60/074,201 filed February 10, 1998, No. 60/074,282 filed February 10, 1998, No. 60/074,280 filed February 10, 1998, No. 60/074,281 filed February 10, 1998, No. 60/074,566 filed February 12, 1998, No. 60/074,567 filed February 12, 1998, No. 60/074,565 filed February 12, 1998, No. 60/075,462 filed

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